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1. EMBASSY ON MAY 5 DISCUSSED US POSITION ON THE NATO LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM (LTDP) WITH MOD AND MFA OFFICIALS WHO HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH LTDP.

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2. EMBOFFS, PER PARA 4 REFTL, BROUGHT US CONCERNS ON KEY UNRESOLVED ISSUES TO ATTENTION OF APPROPRIATE MFA AND MOD OFFICIALS. LATER STATED THAT THEY WERE FAMILIAR WITH THE ISSUES AND DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ANY IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS WITH US POSITIONS ON SUCH ISSUES.

3. IN A SEPARATE CONVERSATION ON RELATED MATTERS, MOD

UNDER SECRETARY HOLST STATED TO DCM THAT THE GON INTENDED TO STAY, ON AVERAGE, WITHIN THE MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE OF THREE PERCENT. HE NOTED THAT WHILE NORWEGIAN OUTLAYS MAY FALL SHORT OF THE THREE PERCENT TARGET FOR THE FIRST FEW YEARS, HIGHER SPENDING IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS WOULD BRING NORWAY'S INCREASE TO AN AVERAGE OF THREE PERCENT. HOLST CONTINUED THAT THIS WAS SUBJECT TO CABINET DECISION APPROVAL. HE INDICATED THE CABINET WILL ADDRESS THE ISSUE NEXT WEEK IN TIME TO INSTRUCT MOD HANSEN PRIOR TO THE DPC.

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